Analogous Dynamics of Boolean Network

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Analogous dynamics

- $oldsymbol{0}$ Different Boolean networks o similar dynamics
- 2 From the observation standpoint they behave similarly.
- Ossibly, different predictions for unobserved behaviours due to the lack of facts discriminating them.

Analogy?

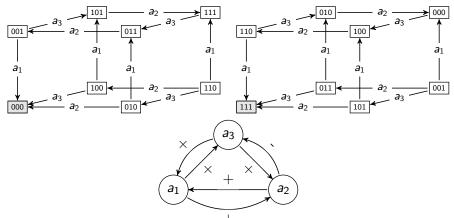
- 1 Equivalence on trajectories
- 2 Formalized by isomorphism on model dynamics:

Two networks behave analogously if and only if their model (of dynamics) is isomorphic.

Example on Boolean Networks

$$f_{\{a_3,a_2,a_1\}} = \begin{cases} f_{a_1} = a_3 + a_2 \\ f_{a_2} = a_1.a_3 \\ f_{a_3} = a_1.\overline{a}_2 \end{cases}$$

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Objectives

- Formalization of the class of equivalence of analogous Boolean networks.
- Sensitivity to the variation of the updating policy (mode) .
- Structural invariant properties of a class.

Boolean Network & Dynamics

Evolution function

An evolution function is a boolean function on states, $f : \mathbb{B}^{|A|} \to \mathbb{B}^{|A|}$ defined as a sequence of propositional formulas.

Example (Evolution function)

$$f_A = (a_4, a_4 + a_2, \bar{a}_3, a_2), A = \{a_4, a_3, a_2, a_1\}$$

Definition

 $f_{A'}, A' \subseteq A$ is a sub-function whose co-domain is restricted to states of A' i.e., $f_{A'}: \mathbb{B}^{|A|} \to \mathbb{B}^{|A'|}$.

Example

$$f_A = (a_4, a_4 + a_2, \bar{a}_3, a_2).$$

$$f_{\{a_3,a_1\}}=(a_4+a_2,a_2).$$

Interaction

- interaction = causal relation on two agents.
- interaction relates to dynamics.
- An agent interacts with another if and only if the variation of the former leads to the variation of the latter for some states.

Definition

Let f_A be an evolution function, we define an interaction on agents as:

$$a_i \longrightarrow a_j \stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{=} \exists s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{B}^n : s_1(a_i) \neq s_2(a_i) \land s_1(A \setminus a_i) = s_2(A \setminus a_i) \land f_{a_i}(s_1) \neq f_{a_i}(s_2).$$

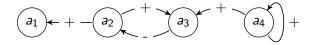
Interaction graph



Signed interaction graph

$$f_A(a_4, a_3, a_2, a_1) = (a_4, a_4 + a_2, \bar{a}_3, a_2).$$

Sign = monotonous property: + increasing, - decreasing



Remark

The signed interaction graph can be directly deduced from f_A where proposition are in sound disjunctive normal form.

Mode and modalities

- Modality: set of agents updated jointly.
- Mode: set of modalities.

Some frequent modes

- Asynchronous mode: $W = \{\{a_n\}, \dots, \{a_1\}\}$ the state of one agent only is updated by a transition.
- Parallel/Synchronous mode: $W = \{\{a_n, \dots, a_1\}\}$ The states of all the agents is updated.
- Generalized mode: $W = \mathbf{2}^A \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ All the possible combinations of update.

Definition (Boolean Network = Evolution function + Mode)

$$\langle f_A, W \rangle, \bigcup_{w_i \in W} w_i \subseteq A$$

Spectrum

The spectrum of a mode, $\mathbf{spx} W = \text{multi-set}$ representing the number of modalities with the same cardinalities.

Example

$$\mathsf{spx}\,\{\{a_1\},\{a_2\},\{a_3,a_4\},\{a_5,a_6,a_7\}\} = \{2\bullet 1,1\bullet 2,1\bullet 3\}$$

Definition (Regular mode)

Partition of the agents A into modalities with same cardinality m.

$$\operatorname{spx} W = \{k \bullet m\}, km = |A|.$$

Example (Regular modes of $\{a_6, a_5, a_4, a_3, a_2, a_1\}$)

- spx $\{\{a_6\}, \{a_5\}, \{a_4\}, \{a_3\}, \{a_2\}, \{a_1\}\} = 6 \bullet 1$
- spx $\{\{a_6, a_5\}, \{a_4, a_3\}, \{a_2, a_1\}\} = 3 \bullet 2$
- spx $\{\{a_6, a_5, a_4\}, \{a_3, a_2, a_1\}\} = 2 \bullet 3$
- spx $\{\{a_6, a_5, a_4, a_3, a_2, a_1\}\} = 1 \bullet 6$

Model

The dynamics associated to network is modelled by a labelled transition system (LTS) where:

- Labels are modalities (set of agents updated jointly).
- Transitions describes the evolution w.r.t. the modality (label).

Definition (Model)

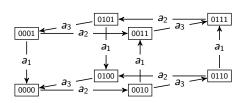
Let f_A be an evolution function for a set A of agents, a LTS $\mathcal{M} = \langle S, W, \longrightarrow \rangle$ models $N = \langle f_A, W \rangle$, $\mathcal{M} \models N$, if and only if:

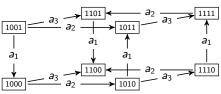
- $S = \operatorname{dom} f_A = \mathbb{B}^{|A|}$;
- $\forall w \in W, \forall s_1, s_2 \in S : s_1 \xrightarrow{w} s_2 \iff s_2(w) = f_w(s_1) \land s_2(A \setminus w) = s_1(A \setminus w) \land s_1 \neq s_2.$

4 agents example

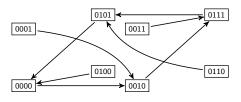
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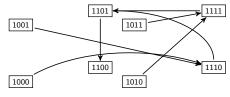
Asynchronous mode: $\{\{a_4\}, \{a_3\}, \{a_2\}, \{a_1\}\}$





Parallel mode : $\{\{a_4, a_3, a_2, a_1\}\}$





Equilibrium

Equilibria = asymptotic states.

Definition (Equilibrium)

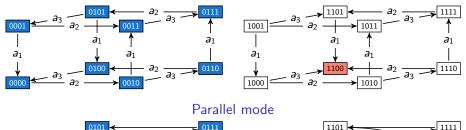
Let $\langle S, W, \longrightarrow \rangle$ be a LTS, a state s_1 is an equilibrium if and only if it is infinitely often reached once met, that is:

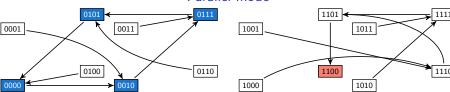
$$Eq(s_1)\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall s_2 \in S: s_1 \longrightarrow^* s_2 \implies s_2 \longrightarrow^* s_1.$$

4 agents example - equilibrium

$$f_A = (a_4, a_4 + a_2, \bar{a}_3, a_2).$$

Asynchronous mode





Attractors in Blue, Stable states in Red

Model isomorphisms

Model isomorphism

Two models $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathbb{B}^n, W, \longrightarrow \rangle$ and $\mathcal{M}' = \langle \mathbb{B}^n, W', \longrightarrow' \rangle$ are isomorphic, $\mathcal{M} \simeq \mathcal{M}'$, if and only if there exists a bijection $\varphi : \mathbb{B}^n \to \mathbb{B}^n$ preserving the transitions:

$$\forall s_1, s_2 \in S : s_1 \longrightarrow s_2 \iff \varphi(s_1) \longrightarrow' \varphi(s_2).$$

Remark

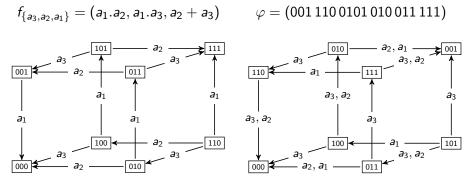
- Preserve the trajectories but differ on states.
- The equilibria of isomorphic models are structurally identical.

Model isomorphism

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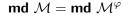
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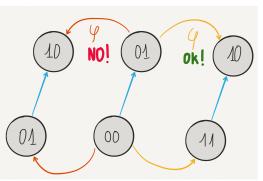
No mode can be found for the LTS in r.h.s!



Check whether a mode exists for a LTS isomorphic to a model.

Isomorphism preserving the mode





The models are closed by isomorphisms because a mode exists!

Proposition

The set of isomorphisms preserving a mode forms a group (or a spectrum).

Groups of permutation

- Boolean permutations on $\mathbb{B}^I, I \in \mathbb{N} = \mathsf{S}_{\mathbb{B}^I}$, (notation β)
- Integer permutations on $\llbracket I \rrbracket = \{1, \ldots, I\}, I \in \mathbb{N} = S_I \text{ (notation } \pi)$
- Signed permutations of rank $I, I \in \mathbb{N}$ denoted BC_I . (notation σ)
- $\varphi = \text{isomorphism preserving the mode.}$
- The action is suffixed: $\varphi(x)$ is denoted x^{φ} .

A permutation: factorization in disjoint cycles where each cycle, $(c_1 \ldots c_k) = \{c_1 \mapsto c_2, \ldots, c_k \mapsto c_1\}$

Example

$$\{1\mapsto 2, 2\mapsto 1, 3\mapsto 4, 4\mapsto 3, 5\mapsto 5\}\equiv (1\,2)(3\,4).$$

Group of signed permutations

Definition (Group of signed permutations)

 BC_l is the group of signed permutations of rank n such that:

$$\sigma(-i) = -\sigma(i), i \in \{-n, \ldots, -1, 1, \ldots, n\}$$

Definition (Action of a signed permutation on \mathbb{B}^n)

 $\sigma=(p,\pi_{\sigma})$, with $\pi_{\sigma}(i)=|\sigma(i)|$ and $p\in\mathbb{B}^{n},p(i)=\sigma(i)<0$.

The action is defined as:

$$c = (b \oplus p)^{\pi_{\sigma}}$$
 where $c_i = b[\pi_{\sigma}^{-1}(i)] \oplus p[\pi_{\sigma}^{-1}(i)], i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$.

Example

- $\sigma = \{1 \mapsto -2, 2 \mapsto 1, -1 \mapsto 2, -2 \mapsto -1\} = (p = (0, 1), \pi = (12)).$
- $(1,0)^{\sigma} = (1,1)$.
- bit inversion in \mathbb{B}^3 : $\sigma = ((1, 1, 1), e_{S_3})$.

Characterization of Groups preserving the mode

Group of isomorphisms preserving the mode whatever the model.

$$\forall \mathcal{M}, \forall \varphi \in S_? : \mathbf{md} \ \mathcal{M} = \mathbf{md} \ \mathcal{M}^{\varphi}.$$

- Method: illustrated for the group preserving the Asynchronous mode.
- 2 Basic bricks: Generalization to group preserving a regular mode.
- Result: Extension to group preserving mode forming a partition of the agents.

Remark

- The groups are defined up to an isomorphism on groups.
- Essentially the action matters.

Method for regular modes

Two steps

- $lue{1}$ Collect all the models of a particular mode with the same number of agents ightarrow Graph union of models.
- **2** Find the group of automorphisms of this graph \rightarrow group preserving the regular mode.

Remark

- The automorphisms preserve the structure of the graph by definition.
- Hence the action on a model corresponding to a sub-graph necessary maps in another model (sub-graph).
- if an isomorphism does not preserve the mode then it is not an automorphism of the graph union.

Application to the asynchronous mode (n agents)

- 1 Graph union of models
 - By definition of the asynchronous mode and a model:
 s → s' ⇒ s differs to s' in 1 position only.
 - Hence collecting all the models with the asynchronous mode corresponds the hypercube of dimension n, Q_n
- 2 Group preserving the asynchronous mode.
 - The group of automorphisms of the hypercube of dimension n is known to be isomorphic to the signed permutations of rank n [1].
 - the result generalizes those presented in [3].

Lemma

The group of the signed permutations of rank n is isomorphic to the group preserving the asynchronous mode: $\operatorname{Aut}(Q_n) \simeq BC_n \simeq SRM_1^n$.

Characterization of
$$SRM_k^m$$
 $(k = \frac{n}{m})$

Union of models = complete modal graph of W, KM_W

$$V(KM_W) = \mathbb{B}^n$$
 and, $E(KM_W) = \{(b_1, b_2) \mid b_1[w] \neq b_2[w] \land b_1[A \setminus \{w\}] = b_2[A \setminus \{w\}], w \in W\}.$ Group preserving the regular mode

Proposition

Let W be a regular mode of length m, the complete modal graph KM_W is isomorphic to $\frac{n}{m}$ products of complete graphs with 2^m vertices: $K_{2^m}^{\square \frac{n}{m}}$.

Lemma

The wreath product of $S_{\mathbb{B}^m} \wr S_k$, $k = \frac{n}{m}$ is isomorphic to the group preserving the regular mode of length m:

$$SRM_m^k \simeq \operatorname{Aut}((K_{2^m})^{\square \frac{n}{m}}) \simeq S_{\mathbb{B}^m} \wr S_k$$

The order is
$$(2^m!)^k k!$$
 (order of $S_l \wr S_k = (I!)^k k!$.)

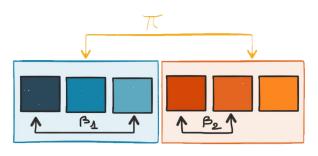
Action of $\varphi \in SRM_m^k$ in \mathbb{B}^n

 $\varphi \in SRM_m^k : \varphi = (\beta, \pi)$ where:

- $\beta : \llbracket k \rrbracket \to S_{\mathbb{B}^m}$, such that $\beta_i \in S_{\mathbb{B}^m}$ acts on $b[w_i]$;
- $\pi: \llbracket k \rrbracket \to \llbracket k \rrbracket$, exchange the position of the modalities,

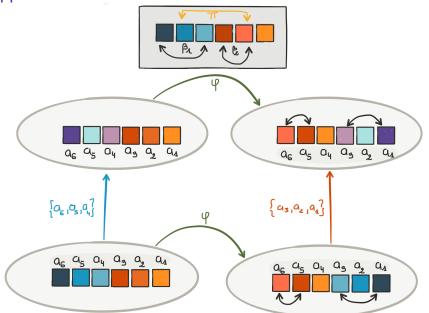
Permutations β_i local to modalities + permutation π on blocks of modalities

$$c = b^{arphi} ext{ where } c = \left(b[w_{\pi^{-1}(1)}]^{eta_{\pi^{-1}(1)}}, \ldots, b[w_{\pi^{-1}(k)}]^{eta_{\pi^{-1}(k)}}
ight), b, c \in \mathbb{B}^n.$$



$$\{\{a_6, a_5, a_4\}, \{a_3, a_2, a_1\}\}, \varphi = ((\beta_1, \beta_2), \pi) \in SRM_3^2.$$

Application



Remark on regular mode

• Asynchronous mode: the group $S_{\mathbb{B}} \wr S_n$ is isomorphic to the group of the signed permutations BC_n ,

$$S_{\mathbb{B}} \wr S_n \simeq S_2 \wr S_n \simeq BC_n$$
 [2].

• Parallel mode: The group of isomorphisms preserving the parallel mode SRM_n^1 is obviously isomorphic to the group of the Boolean permutations on \mathbb{B}^n , $S_{\mathbb{B}^n}$,

$$S_{\mathbb{B}^n} \wr S_1 = S_{\mathbb{B}^n}$$
.

Group of isomorphisms preserving partition, $SP_{spx W}$

Remark

mode = partition of A = union of regular sub-modes $W = \bigcup_{i=1}^{I} W_i$ such that $\operatorname{spx} W = \{k_i \bullet m_i\}_{1 \le i \le I}, \operatorname{spx} W_i = k_i \bullet m_i$.

Theorem

The set of isomorphisms on models preserving a mode partitioning the agents with a spectrum $\{k_i \bullet m_i\}_{1 \le i \le l}$, is the Cartesian product of their regular modes:

$$SP_{\gamma} = \sum_{i=1}^{l} SRM_{m_i}^{k_i}, SRM_{m_i}^{k_i} \simeq S_{\mathbb{B}^{m_i}} \wr S_{k_i}.$$

the order of this group is $\prod_{i=1}^{l} (2^{m_i}!)^{k_i} k_i!$.

Action of $SP_{spx W}$ on transitions

$$\varphi \in SP_{\mathsf{spx} \ W}, \varphi = (\beta, \pi).$$

- β : a family $\beta = \{\beta_i\}$ of Boolean permutations on modalities s.t. β_i acts on $b(w_i)$.
- π : a permutation on modalities restricted to modalities with the same cardinalities.

$$\forall w_i \in W, \forall s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{B}^n : (s_1 \xrightarrow{w_i} s_2)^{\varphi} = s_1^{\varphi} \xrightarrow{w_{\pi(i)}} s_2^{\varphi}.$$

Remark

The action can be also defined on evolution functions for the asynchronous mode.

Equivalence on networks

Equivalence on Networks

- Analogy/Similarity on the behaviours of networks:
 - same mode;
 - different evolution functions.
- 2 Two networks N, N' are dynamically equivalent, $N \sim N'$, if and only if their model is isomorphic (w.r.t $\varphi \in SP$).

Definition (Dynamical Network Equivalence)

$$\mathit{N} \sim \mathit{N}' \stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{=} \mathbf{md} \; \mathit{N} = \mathbf{md} \; \mathit{N}' \wedge (\exists \varphi \in \mathit{SP}_{\mathbf{spx} \; \mathbf{md} \; \mathit{N}} : \mathcal{M} \models \mathit{N} \wedge \mathcal{M}^{\varphi} \models \mathit{N}').$$

Objectives

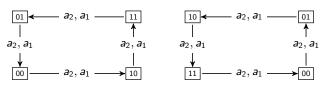
- Structural invariance property of equivalent networks:
 characterization of a structure abstracting a network such that these structures are isomorphic for equivalent networks.
- Conditions for preserving the equivalence across different modes: properties insuring that an equivalence found for a mode is also preserved for another.

Invariance

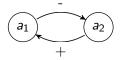
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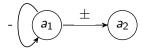
The interaction graph of equivalent networks is not invariant.

$$\begin{split} f_{\{a_2,a_1\}} &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{a_1} = a_2 \\ f_{a_2} = \overline{a_1} \end{array} \right. \quad f'_{\{a_2,a_1\}} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f'_{a_1} = \overline{a_1} \\ f'_{a_2} = a_1 \oplus a_2 \end{array} \right. \\ \text{Parallel mode } \left\{ \left\{ a_2,a_1 \right\} \right\} \qquad \varphi = \left(00 \ 11 \ 01 \ 10 \right) \end{split}$$



Interaction graph





Preserving the equivalence over mode variation

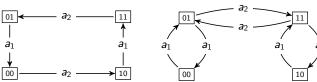
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The equivalence on networks is not preserved when the mode varies.

$$f_{\{a_{2},a_{1}\}} = \begin{cases} f_{a_{1}} = a_{2} \\ f_{a_{2}} = \overline{a_{1}} \end{cases} \qquad f'_{\{a_{2},a_{1}\}} = \begin{cases} f'_{a_{1}} = \overline{a_{1}} \\ f'_{a_{2}} = a_{1} \oplus a_{2} \end{cases}$$
Parallel mode: $\{\{a_{2},a_{1}\}\}\}$

$$01 \longleftarrow a_{2}, a_{1} \qquad 01 \longrightarrow a_{2}, a_{1} \longrightarrow a_{2}, a_{2} \longrightarrow a_{2}, a_{1} \longrightarrow a_{2}, a_{2} \longrightarrow a_{2}, a_{1} \longrightarrow a_{2}, a_{2} \longrightarrow a$$

Asynchronous mode: $\{\{a_2\}, \{a_1\}\}$



Structural Invariance

Lemma

The interaction modal graph of equivalent networks are isomorphic:

$$\langle f, W \rangle \sim \langle f', W \rangle \implies G_f/W \simeq G_{f'}/W.$$

interaction modal graph, G_f/W

Quotient graph of the unsigned interaction graph w.r.t. mode

- vertices = modalities
- edges = quotient relation of the interactions w.r.t. a mode.

Definition (Interaction modal graph)

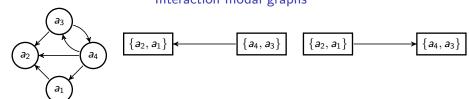
Let $G_f = \langle A, \longrightarrow \rangle$ be an interaction graph of f and W a mode partitioning A, G_f/W , is defined as:

- $V(G_f/W) = W;$
- $E(G_f/W) = \{(w_i, w_j) \mid w_i \neq w_j \land (\exists a_i \in w_i, \exists a_j \in w_j : a_i \longrightarrow a_j)\}.$

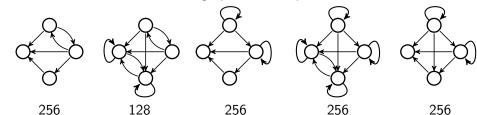
Exhaustive analysis of all the equivalent networks

Germ/Representative:
$$f = (a_3, a_4, a_1.a_3 + a_4, a_4)$$
. $W = \{\{a_4, a_3\}, \{a_2, a_1\}\}$, Regular group SRM_2^2 (order = 1152).

Interaction modal graphs



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Consequence on Asynchronous Mode

Interaction Modal Graph = Unsigned Interaction Graph.

Remark

Unsigned interaction graphs of equivalent networks are isomorphic and the sign of the interactions can be computed.

Lemma (Sign computation)

Let $\langle f, \{\{a_i\}\}_{a_i \in A} \rangle, \langle f', \{\{a_i\}\}_{a_i \in A} \rangle$ be two networks equivalent for the asynchronous mode with respect to the signed permutation $(p,\pi) \in SRM_1^n$, we have: $G_{f'} = \mu(G_f,(p,\pi))$ with:

$$\mu(a_i \xrightarrow{\times} a_j, (p, \pi)) = a_{\pi(i)} \xrightarrow{\times (-1)^{p_{\pi(i)} + p_{\pi(i)}}} a_{\pi(j)}, \quad p \in \mathbb{B}^n, \pi \in S_n.$$

Remark

The isomorphic cycles are of the same sign but not necessary the interactions.

Equivalence on mode variation

The equivalence on network is preserved if a mode is embedded in another.

 A mode W is embedded in another W' if and only if each modality of W is entirely included in a modality of W'.

$$\forall w \in W, \exists w' \in W' : w \subseteq w', W, W'$$
 are partitions of A.

• The property can be generalized for an embedding involving a permutation on modalities (π -embedding).

Remark

- Asynchronous mode An equivalence found with the asynchronous mode also holds for any mode since the asynchronous mode is embedded in all modes.
- Parallel mode An equivalence found for any mode also holds for the parallel mode since the parallel mode embeds all modes.

Conclusion & Perspective

Conclusion

- Definition of group of isomorphism preserving the partitioned mode.
- Structural invariance of Interaction Modal Graph.
- condition for mode variation preserving the equivalence.

Properties on Boolean network vs. Properties on classes.

- Fact: Equilibria of equivalent networks are the same in structure and numbers.
- Thus some properties for a canonical representative are naturally extended to all equivalent networks.
- Canonicity of a network: an equivalent network with the smallest number of negative arcs.
- Proofs/properties on the canonical form → obvious extension to a class.
- Measure of complexity of architecture: number of equivalence classes of networks with the same unsigned interaction graph (architecture).

Canonicity

Bad News ... but the last

For Asynchronous mode finding a canonical form of a network seems to be NP-Complete.

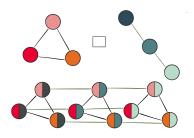
NP-Completeness by reduction to MAX-CUT.

However, it still remains an interesting notion for properties discovery!

Graph Product

Definition (Cartesian product $G_1 \square G_2$)

$$\begin{array}{l} V(G_1 \square G_2) = V(G_1) \times V(G_2) \text{ and,} \\ E(G_1 \square G_2) = & \{ (v_1 v_2, v_1' v_2) \mid (v_1, v_1') \in E(G_1) \} \cup \\ & \{ (v_1 v_2, v_1 v_2') \mid (v_2, v_2') \in E(G_2) \}. \end{array}$$



Remark

A graph is prime if it is decomposed as a product of trivial graphs only, *i.e.*, G is prime if and only if: $G = G_1 \square G_2$ implies that $G_1 = G$ or $G_2 = G$

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